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Hon. Christian F. Hummel
U.S. District Court – Northern District of New York
James T. Foley U.S. Courthouse
445 Broadway
Albany, New York 12207

Re: *NYSCOPBA et al. v. Cuomo et al.*
1:21-cv-535 (MAD / CFH)

Dear Judge Hummel,

Please accept this letter as a limited appearance on behalf of the defendants for the purpose of seeking an extension of forty-five (45) days of the Answer deadline, to July 15, 2021. Plaintiffs' attorneys have consented to this request. The additional time is being requested so that this Office can sufficiently evaluate potential representational issues, and to investigate the allegations in the Complaint.

The defendants' deadline to answer or move is currently June 1, 2021. We request that defendants be permitted to submit their Answer or request for permission to move by July 15, 2021. There have been no other requests for extensions in this case.

We appreciate the Court's attention to this matter.

Respectfully yours,

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